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<p>(54) Title: PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATION COMPRISING CLODRONATE AS ACTIVE INGREDIENT AND SILICIFIED MICROCRYSTALLINE CELLULOSE AS EXCIPIENT</p> <p><u>(57) Abstract</u></p> <p>The object of the invention is a pharmaceutical preparation for oral use, especially a tablet, which as its active ingredient contains a pharmacologically acceptable salt of dichloromethylene bisphosphonic acid, i.e. a clodronate, especially disodium clodronate, and which as an excipient contains silicified microcrystalline cellulose. Further objects of the invention are a process for the manufacture of said pharmaceutical preparation, and the use of silicified microcrystalline cellulose for the manufacture of said pharmaceutical preparation.</p>			